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In re Application of

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For: CORROSION RESISTANT VENTS WITH INTEGRAL FILTER

<u>REPLY</u>

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the personal interview of March 11, 2003, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) An enclosure vent adapted to vent hydrogen gas while controlling release of volatile organic compounds from an enclosure containing transuranic waste to an environment surrounding the enclosure while being resistant to corrosion from corrosive materials including chlorinated solvents, hydrochloric acid and nitric acid, the enclosure vent comprising:

a housing defining a chamber therein having a first opening adapted to